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RAILROADS.

ST. LOUIS, CAIRO, MEMPHIS AND VICKSBURG.

PROPOSED NARROW-GAUGE ROAD FROM CAIRO TO VICKSBURG.

The following letter, written by the builder of the St. Louis and Cairo Narrow-gauge road, discusses questions of the utmost interest to the people of the Gulf states. It is proposed to extend this St. Louis and Cairo road along the river shore to Memphis, and hence to Helena and Vicksburg. Light locomotives and cars will not destroy a levee, soiled by water resting against it, as would the weighty machinery of the broad-gauge roads, and land-owners along the river shore, to escape levee taxes, can well afford to convey to the builders of the road one-fourth of their estates. It must be remembered that the country on one side of the levee railway will contribute very little to the maintenance or construction of the work, and therefore land-owners must make the road cost to its builders the least possible sum. The appended letter tells of the progress of the work north of Cairo:

GENTLEMEN—I am pleased to notice so active and strong a movement on the part of the people of Tennessee in favor of a narrow-gauge connection with St. Louis. The movement is in the right direction, and perseverance will succeed sure.

You ask concerning the prospects of the Cairo and St. Louis narrow-gauge railroad. The grading and bridging is nearly all completed from East St. Louis to Cairo, and the train is now laid and construction trains running to Waterloo, a distance of about twenty-five miles from St. Louis, and track-laying progressing at the rate of over a mile per day. If the weather does not interfere we will have the road completed and cars running between St. Louis and Cairo within three months. The prospect is that the Cairo and St. Louis railroad will do as much business as any road of its length coming into St. Louis.

Narrow-gauge railroads are no longer experimental. The reports from narrow-gauge railroads already in operation in Europe, prove them practically a success, both as to capacity and as an investment.

From information that comes to me in my official capacity, I am of the opinion that not less than fifteen thousand miles of narrow-gauge railroad are already projected in the United States and Canada, and by March 1, fully one thousand miles will be running. They are projected in nearly every state in the Union. I am receiving daily inquiries from railroad officers and engineers, for information on the subject, and many who are now constructing and managing broad-gauge railroads inform me that they are convinced that narrow-gauge railroads will be the popular roads for the future.

One company is now constructing four hundred and sixty-seven miles in California. Most of the branches of the Union Pacific are projected narrow-gauge. Colorado is reaping the success of their narrow gauge roads.

In Virginia, Kentucky and other Southern states there is a strong movement in their favor. Indeed, they seem peculiarly adapted to develop those states, as many of their districts are mountain districts valuable in materials, sparsely settled and deficient in capital. Were not some such system furnished for relief they would be compelled to wait many years for development. But this system will give almost an energetic community a chance for a railroad development.

There is no doubt that the construction of the costly broad gauge railroads in this country have exceeded the bounds of prudence, and already broad-gauge railroads are a drag in Europe.

Future development, therefore, must depend in a great measure on narrow-gauge railroads.

I will gladly furnish the friends of "N. G." all the information I can.

C. H. HOWLAND.

THE PARIS AND CAIRO R. R.
(From the Paris (Tenn.) Intelligencer, 12th inst.)

The second meeting of the railroad committee, was called to order at 9 o'clock a. m., December 11, Hon. J. D. C. Atkins, chairman, F. M. Parsons, secretary.

Report of previous meeting was given.

Report of committee on resolutions was read, amended, and finally adopted in the following form:

WHEREAS, There is a plan for constructing a system of narrow-gauge railroads in the Southern states which is already in process of execution; and

WHEREAS, One system of this line has been built between Cairo, Ills., and St. Louis, Missouri, and another connecting Columbusville, Tenn., and Johnsonville, Tenn., is being constructed; and

WHEREAS, These two lines should be connected in order that there may be direct railroad communication between the iron regions of Tennessee, the coal fields of Illinois and the iron beds of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, The producing and manufacturing interests of West Tennessee, and Southwest Kentucky, are greatly crippled by lack of railroad facilities; therefore,

Resolved, 1st. That to secure connection with this grand system of Southern railroads; 2nd, to insure for Henry and adjoining counties the benefit to be derived from a road connecting St. Louis with the iron regions of Tennessee, 3rd, to establish direct communication with St. Louis, the commercial metropolis of the Mississippi valley, by means of competition and actual settlement along the line of the road, the people of Henry and adjoining counties should exert themselves in every legitimate way, to procure the construction of a narrow-gauge railroad, from Cairo, Illinois, to Johnsonville, Tennessee, as early as practicable, and in order to consult together, to appoint corporators and devise any other means for accomplishing these ends.

Resolved, That all parties interested in such a project, be invited to meet in convention at the court-house in Paris, Tennessee, on December 19, 1872.

A. S. Champion was then appointed corresponding secretary.

Committee adjourned, subject to the call of the chairman.

J. D. C. ATKINS, Chm.

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